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August 30, 2011

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Dear Supervisors:

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Request approval to accept a furniture donation from the Steve Harris Memorial Charity for Harbor-UCLA Medical Center's 6-E Pediatric Ward.

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATED FURNITURE FOR HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL

CENTER

(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2)

(3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Accept a donation of furniture valued at \$36,083 from the Steve Harris Memorial Charity for Harbor-UCLA Medical Center's (H-UCLA MC) 6-E Pediatric Ward.
- 2. Instruct the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors to prepare and send a letter of appreciation for the generous donation to the Steve Harris Memorial Charity.



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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In accordance with County policy, donations in excess of \$10,000 require acceptance by your Board. The Steve Harris Memorial Charity is providing the following furniture for H-UCLA MC's Pediatric 6-E Ward: 14 recliners valued at \$26,636; and 1 sleep settee and chair, 2 recliners and a three-seater bench valued at \$9,447 for a total amount of \$36,083.

Approval of the first recommendation will allow H-UCLA MC to accept the donation and the second recommendation will acknowledge receipt of the generous donation.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The recommended actions support Goal 4, Health and Mental Health, of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County cost associated with this donation.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 2.9.2 of the County Fiscal Manual authorizes County departments to accept donations in excess of \$10,000 with Board approval.

The Department of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology is responsible for the treatment of cancers and blood disorders among children by providing diagnostic work-up, standard and investigational therapies, and treatment for complications of therapy.

The Steve Harris Memorial Charity raises funds to benefit the Department of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology at H-UCLA MC. Children and families dealing with or recovering from cancers and blood disorders are often faced with various stresses, including physical, emotional, and financial burdens that can affect the entire family. The Steve Harris Memorial Charity helps to alleviate some of these troubles by providing socio-economic services and support to the families at H-UCLA MC through funds raised. The furniture donation will greatly benefit the 6-E Pediatric Ward patients where such furniture is much needed.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will help maintain the quality of care and comfort in the Pediatrics Ward at H-UCLA MC.

CONCLUSION

Attached for your consideration is a draft appreciation letter thanking the Steve Harris Memorial Charity for their generous donation.

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Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell H. Katz, M.D.

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office County Counsel Executive Office, Board of Supervisors August 30, 2011

Mr. Jeff Harris Steve Harris Memorial Charity 401 Calle De Aragon Redondo Beach, CA90277-7625

Dear Mr. Harris:

At its meeting held August 30, 2011, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors accepted, with thanks, the donation of furniture totaling \$36,083. The donated furniture consists of 14 recliners, 1 sleep settee and chair, 2 recliners and a 3-seater bench for Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. This furniture donation will greatly benefit the 6-E Pediatric Ward's patients at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

The Board members have requested that I express their appreciation to you for this generous donation.

Very truly yours,

Sachi A. Hamai Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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